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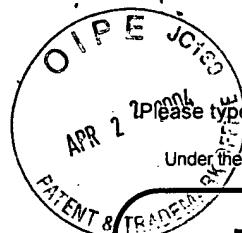
In re Application of: Wouter E. Roorda et al.  Serial No.: 09/894,293  Filed: 27 June 2001  Title: Methods of Coating an Implantable Device	Examiner: Jennifer Kolb Michener  Art Unit: 1762
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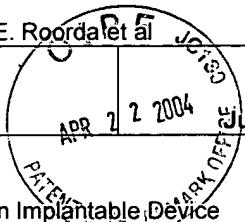
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Invention:

Methods of Coating an Implantable Device

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